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# PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Attention: DO/EO/US

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**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** 

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments:

In the Claims

Please amend claim 20 as follows:

20. (Amended)

The article of claim [16] 19 wherein the aluminum alloy

includes about 1.1% manganese by weight.

#### **REMARKS**

With the entry of the foregoing amendments, the application is believed to be